Attention Section 65, Behavioral Health Services, Home- and Community-Based (HCT) Providers:

During the State of Civil Emergency period associated with COVID-19, Home and Community-Based Treatment (HCT) providers delivering services via Section 65, Behavioral Health Services, are approved to offer HCT as a clinician-only treatment model to current clients and new clients, temporarily amending the requirement for the service to be delivered through a combination of a clinician and a behavioral health professional (BHP).

Families must be informed of the clinician-only treatment model and be given the opportunity to decline the service. Services may be delivered via telehealth as clinically appropriate. Please see the Department's <u>guidance</u> for additional information on delivering services via telehealth, including considerations regarding quality and clinical appropriateness.

This approval will extend to the end of the State of Civil Emergency, and providers will be notified when this period of approval is no longer effective.

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